

STANHOPE HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

NEWS 'N' NOTES



September - October 2008

President's Message Sherry Caravano (973) 426-9092

Welcome back to a new school year. We would like to welcome our new and returning students, parents and staff. The Stanhope H.S.A. would like to welcome our new assistant Principal, Mr. Burns along with our new teachers, Mrs. Christine Ferraro, Mr. Gonzalez, Mrs. Pallay, and Ms. Rocco to Stanhope Valley Road School. We would also like to wish Mr. Eldred and Mrs. Winsor the best of luck in their new positions. We would like to welcome all our new students to our Linden Avenue School along with our new teachers, Ms. Richeda and Ms. Solimando. We also welcome Mrs. Del Valle to our Child Study Team.

Congratulations to this year's winners of the H.S.A. Open House Attendance Awards. First place went to Mrs. Marra and her third grade class. Second place went to Mrs. Henry's second grade class. Third place was a two-way tie. The winners were Mrs. Curran and her kindergarten class and Mrs. Grube and her kindergarten class.

A special thanks to Heather Costanza and her committee for taking care of the refreshments for Back to School night. Thanks for all the homeroom parents who donated baked goods.

The HSA is happy to provide folders for Kindergarten and Homework Assignment Planners for 1st through 8th grade. This is made possible from the profits through Market Day Sales. Thank you to all the families and staff who participate in Market Day. A special thank you to Rebecca Yanagi for taking over as the Market Day Chairperson. If you have any questions about Market Day, you can contact Rebecca Yanagi at mmmmmmmmm.

We have many events and activities planned, one being the Fall Book Fair, which just took place. I thank Dawn Heinen, her committee and all HSA volunteers for their hard work. We were able to donate \$600 worth of new books to Valley Road School and \$200 worth of new books to our Linden Avenue School. Thanks to all for making the book fair a great success!

Please join us on November 14th, 2008 for a Square Dancing Family Fun Night. More information will be coming home soon.

Please mark your calendars for the following events:

Our 2nd annual craft/vendor will be held on December 6th 2008 in conjunction with the Holiday Boutique and the 8th grade's Breakfast with Santa. Our 9th annual Tricky Tray will be held on March 28th, 2009. Both these events help raise money to provide our students with school enhancements including educational, cultural and family fun events.

Have a great school year. Call me at anytime if you have any questions. Please volunteer when you can. Please remember that when we all work together, our children are the winners.

COMMITTEE NEWS

Ways & Means **Rebecca Davies**

Our second Craft/Vendor Fair will be on Saturday, December 6th, 2008 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Stanhope Valley Road School. There will be plenty of traffic since the 8th grade Breakfast with Santa and Holiday Boutique will also be open. The cost of an 8 x 6 space is \$25.00. Spaces are first come, first serve. If anyone is interested in renting space for the fair please contact Sherry Caravano at www.stanhopecraftvendorfair@yahoo.com or 973-426-9092.

S.O.S. Volunteers Needed. Looking for volunteers for the Holiday Boutique, Thursday, December 4th from 2:45 to 4:30 pm to set up, Friday, December 5th from 8:00 to 2:30 pm and Saturday, December 6th from 9:00 to 1:00 pm.

Still available for purchase are school note pads and magnets.

Programs **Dawn Heinen**

The book fair was a great success. A special thank you to Mrs. Hofmann for giving up the Media Center and always is a great help to us during the book fair.

Thank you to the following volunteers who helped with set-up, breakdown and worked during the book fair:

Leine Ayala, Nancy Bailey, Carmela Berger, Maria Brennan. Monica Burbano, Sherry Caravano, Karen Connelly, Joelle DeMasi, Stacey Garrido, Dawn Goula, Cindy Graeber, Andrea Granada, Kelly Herman, Ratu Koritawati, Cathy Lamicella, Michelle Macula, Yolanda Marn, Michelle McNeilly, Kim Moppert, Lauren Mortell, Linda Oeftering, Vickie Poisseroux, Chris Raymond, Theresa Romaine, Brandi Ruffell, Daphne Herbert-Shalita, Melissa Slahor, Liz Stanley, Tracy Staples, Vickie Tramaglino, Rose Tucker, Patti Vance, Nicole Vertetis, Lori Wihlborg and Joan Young. Thanks to our junior volunteers who helped during set-up and after school: Francesca Caravano, Victoria Connelly, Rebecca Hands, Alyssa Heinen, Nicolette Heinen, Matt Herman, Daniel McNeilly, Patrick McNeilly, Alyssa Oeftering, Danielle Romaine, and Liam Herbert-Shalita.

A very special thank you to retired teacher, Mrs. Latino for helping at our book fair and student alumni Lauren Kenny for helping during set-up.

Market Day **Rebecca Yanagi**

Thanks go out to the families and faculty members who ordered in September and October. I would also like to thank the volunteers who made reminder calls and who helped out the day of the sale. For those of you who are not familiar with Market Day, it is a school food fundraiser in which our school earns at least 10% profit of all orders placed. With the profit, we are able to purchase folders for Kindergarten and Student Homework Assignment Planners for the rest of the school. Every month an order form is sent home. Order and pick-up dates are located on the back of the order form. All products are covered by a 100% satisfaction guarantee. Take a minute and look it over, there are many specials and new items. If you would like to place an order, complete the form and send it back to school or you can order online at www.marketday.com. November order forms are due back by Friday, November 12th. Pick-up is Thursday, November 20th between 4:00 – 5:00pm.

Homeroom Parents **Joelle DeMasi**

I would like to welcome all of our new homeroom parents to the HSA and thank all homeroom parents for attending our meeting on Back to School night. Your time and support throughout the year is greatly appreciated!!!

